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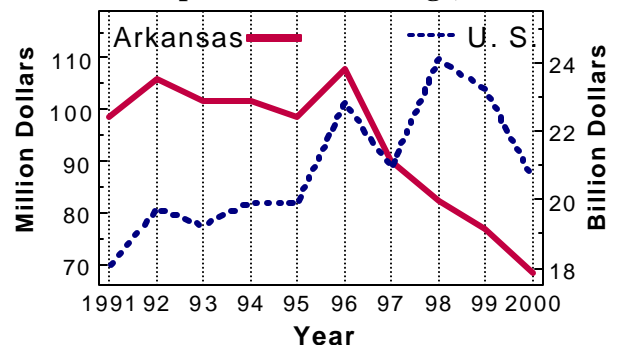
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2000 CASH RECEIPTS FROM MILK MARKETINGS DOWN 11 PERCENT

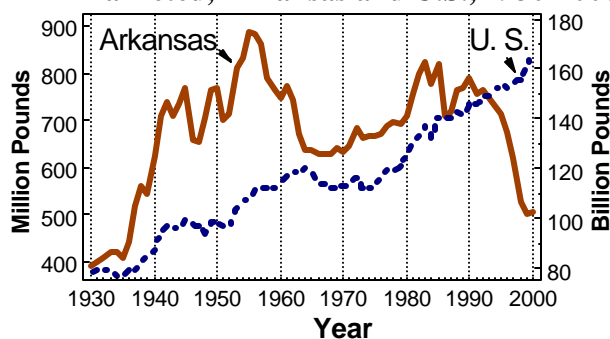
ARKANSAS Cash receipts from marketings of milk during 2000 at \$68.5 million, was down 11 percent from 1999. Average returns to producers per 100 pounds of milk marketed was \$13.60, down 12 percent. **Marketings** totaled 504 million pounds, up 1 percent from 1999. Marketings include whole milk sold to plants and dealers as well as sold directly to consumers.

Milk production during 2000 totaled 524 million pounds, up 1 percent from 1999. The rate per cow was 12,476 pounds, up 95 pounds. The annual average number of milk cows at 42,000 head, was unchanged from 1999.

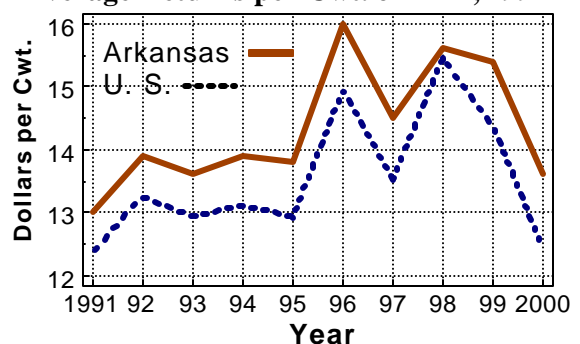
Cash Receipts from Marketings, 1991-2000



Milk Marketed, Arkansas and U.S., 1930-2000



Average Returns per Cwt. of Milk, 1991-2000



MILK COWS AND PRODUCTION, MARKETINGS, INCOME AND VALUE, 1999 - 2000

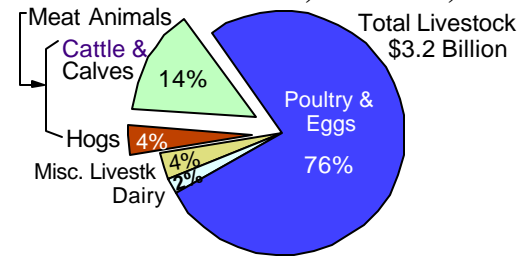
Item	Unit	ARKANSAS			UNITED STATES		
		1999	2000	%	1999	2000	% Chg.
MILK COWS AND PRODUCTION:							
Number of Milk Cows 1/	1,000 Head	42	42	0	9,156	9,210	+1
Milk Production per Cow	Pounds	12,381	12,476	+1	17,772	18,204	+2
Total Milk Production 2/	Million Lbs.	520	524	+1	162,716	167,658	+3
Percent of Fat in All Milk	Percent	3.63	3.63	0	3.67	3.68	0
MILK USED AND MARKETED:							
Milk Used Where Produced	Million Lbs.	20	20	0	1,328	1,312	-1
Milk Marketed	Million Lbs.	500	504	+1	161,387	166,346	+3
INCOME AND VALUE OF MILK:							
Average Returns per Cwt. of Milk	Dollars	15.40	13.60	-12	14.38	12.40	-14
Cash Receipts from Marketings	1,000 Dollars	77,000	68,544	-11	23,207,099	20,621,983	-11
Value of Home Consumption	1,000 Dollars	770	680	-12	32,038	26,623	-17
Gross Producer Income 3/	1,000 Dollars	77,770	69,224	-11	23,239,137	20,648,606	-11
Value of Milk Produced 4/	1,000 Dollars	80,080	71,264	-11	23,400,050	20,786,195	-11

1/ Average number during year, excluding heifers not yet fresh. 2/ Excludes milk nursed by calves. 3/ Cash receipts from marketings of milk and cream plus value of milk used for home consumption. 4/ Includes value of milk fed to calves.

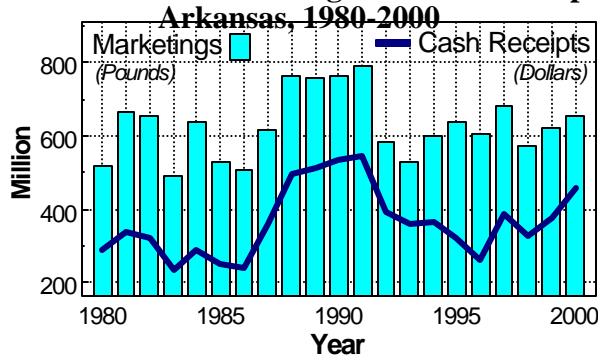
2000 CASH RECEIPTS FROM MEAT ANIMALS UP 23 PERCENT

ARKANSAS cash receipts from total marketings of meat animals during 2000 increased 23 percent from 1999 to \$582.9 million. **Cash receipts** from marketings of cattle and calves were \$456.5 million, up 22 percent, and \$126.4 million from hogs and pigs, up 28 percent. **Total pounds marketed** for cattle and calves rose 6 percent to 655.8 million pounds, and 284.1 million pounds for hogs and pigs, up 1 percent. **Annual average price** per 100 pounds live weight for cattle was \$65.40, an increase of \$9.00; \$96.00 for calves, up \$11.80; and \$39.10 for hogs and pigs, up \$10.50 from 1999.

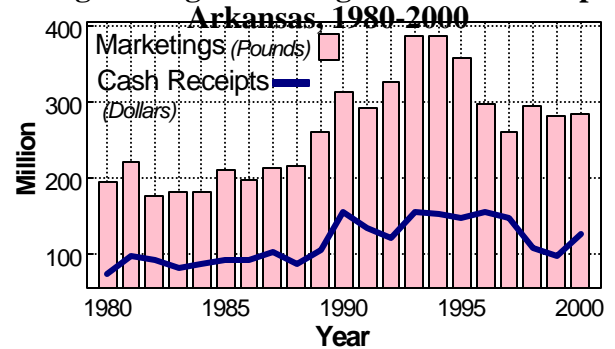
Percent of Cash Receipts from Marketings All Livestock & Products, Arkansas, 2000



Cattle and Calf Marketings and Cash Receipts



Hog and Pig Marketings and Cash Receipts



MEAT ANIMALS: PRODUCTION, MARKETINGS, INCOME & VALUE, 1999 - 2000

Item	Unit	ARKANSAS			UNITED STATES		
		1999	2000	% Chg.	1999	2000	% Chg.
CATTLE & CALVES:							
Production 1/	1,000 Pounds	567,543	566,559	0	42,468,398	42,915,140	+1
Pounds Marketed 2/	1,000 Pounds	620,200	655,800	+6	56,737,655	57,483,607	+1
Value of Production	1,000 Dollars	331,642	381,685	+15	26,051,477	28,388,431	+9
Cash Receipts 3/	1,000 Dollars	374,312	456,525	+22	36,529,972	40,760,549	+12
Gross Income 4/	1,000 Dollars	378,624	461,878	+22	36,860,834	41,128,150	+12
Number Marketed 5/: Cattle	1,000 Head	704.0	729.0	+4	48,373.2	48,738.9	+1
Calves	1,000 Head	211.0	216.0	+2	9,855.4	9,948.3	+1
Farm Slaughter 6/	1,000 Head	5.0	5.0	0	213.4	202.6	-5
Average Price: Cattle	Dollars/Cwt.	56.40	65.40	+16	63.40	68.60	+8
Calves	Dollars/Cwt.	84.20	96.00	+14	87.70	104.00	+19
Value per Head, Jan. 1 7/	Dollars	550	630	+15	683	725	+6
Total Value, Jan. 1 7/	1,000 Dollars	1,012,000	1,140,300	+13	67,099,440	70,552,530	+5
HOGS & PIGS:							
Production 1/	1,000 Pounds	266,244	273,782	+3	25,790,623	25,716,992	0
Pounds Marketed 2/	1,000 Pounds	281,002	284,133	+1	27,029,548	26,688,144	-1
Value of Production 8/	1,000 Dollars	91,614	120,426	+31	7,766,241	10,791,404	+39
Cash Receipts 3/ 8/	1,000 Dollars	98,560	126,362	+28	8,621,759	11,771,798	+37
Gross Income 4/	1,000 Dollars	98,860	126,774	+28	8,650,140	11,806,667	+36
Number Marketed 5/	1,000 Head	1,955.0	1,978.0	+1	121,136.9	118,418.3	-2
Farm Slaughter 6/	1,000 Head	1.0	1.0	0	141.0	124.5	-12
Average Price per 100 Lbs.	Dollars	28.60	39.10	+37	30.30	42.30	+40
Value per Head Dec. 1	Dollars	68	69	+1	72	76	+6
Total Value, Dec. 1	1,000 Dollars	48,280	47,265	-2	4,254,294	4,533,789	+7

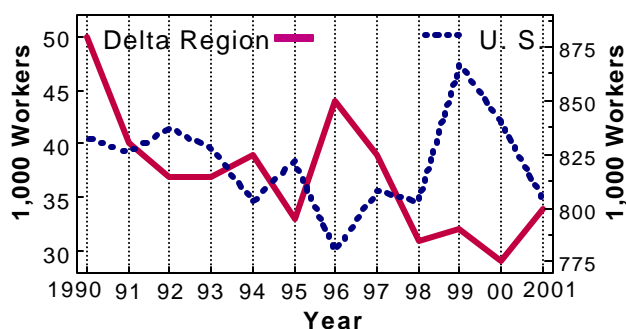
1/ Adjustments made for changes in inventory and for inshipments. 2/ Excludes custom slaughter for use on farms where produced and interfarm sales within the State. 3/ Receipts from marketings and sale of farm slaughter. 4/ Includes value of home consumption. 5/ Includes custom slaughter for use on farms where produced and State outshipments, but excludes interfarm sales within the State. 6/ Excludes custom slaughter for farms at commercial establishments. 7/ January 1 following year. 8/ Includes allowance for higher average price of state inshipments and outshipments of feeder pigs.

NUMBER OF HIRED WORKERS UP 17 PERCENT

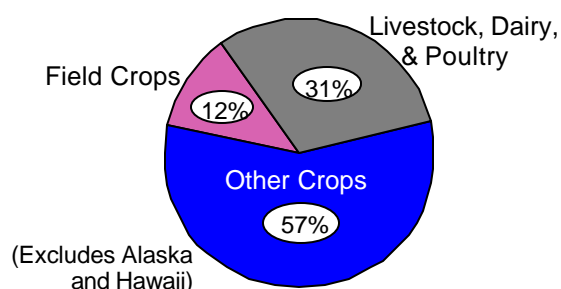
There were 34,000 hired workers on the farms and ranches in the **DELTA REGION (Arkansas, Louisiana and Mississippi)** during the week of April 8-14, 2001, up 17 percent from the April 2000 survey week. The hired workers worked an average of 45.5 hours during the week compared to 37.3 hours a year ago.

Farm operators paid their hired workers an average of \$7.09 per hour during the survey week, up 3 cents from April 2000. Wage rate for field workers averaged \$6.55, up 2 cents; livestock workers, \$7.34, up 30 cents; and combined field and livestock workers, \$6.65, down 3 cents from a year earlier.

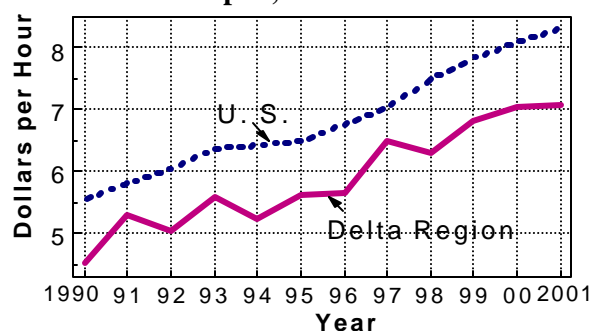
Number of Hired Workers, April, 1990-2001
(Excludes Agricultural Service Workers)



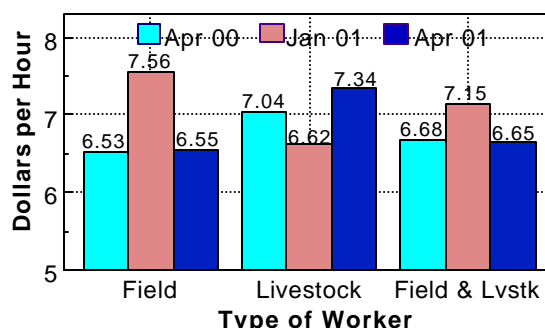
U.S. Distribution of Field & Livestock Workers by Type of Farm, April 2001



Hourly Wage Rates for All Hired Workers
April, 1990-2001



Hourly Wage Rates by Type of Worker
Delta Region by Quarter



NUMBER OF HIRED WORKERS, HOURS WORKED AND WAGE RATES DELTA REGION AND U. S., APRIL 2001 WITH COMPARISONS

Item	DELTA REGION			UNITED STATES 1/		
	Apr. 2000	Jan. 2001	Apr. 2001	Apr. 2000	Jan. 2001	Apr. 2001
<i>Thousands</i>						
NUMBER OF HIRED WORKERS 2/	29	17	34	840	691*	804
Expected to be Employed: 150 Days or	21	15	28	633	573*	627
149 Days or Less	8	2	6	207	118	177
<i>Number of Hours</i>						
HOURS WORKED PER WEEK	37.3	33.5	45.5	40.4	37.3*	40.2
<i>Dollars per Hour</i>						
WAGE RATES:	7.06	7.73	7.09	8.09	8.66*	8.31
All Hired Workers 2/	<i>Dollars per Hour</i>					
By Type of Worker:	<i>Dollars per Hour</i>					
Field Workers	6.53	7.56	6.55	7.54	7.76*	7.61
Livestock Workers	7.04	6.62	7.34	7.58	8.07*	8.01
Field and Livestock Combined	6.68	7.15	6.65	7.55	7.87*	7.71
By Type of Farm, Field & Livestock Combined:	<i>Dollars per Hour</i>					
Field Crops	6.53	4/	6.60	7.29*	7.66	7.48
Other Crops	6.27	7.23	6.22	7.55*	7.68	7.62
Livestock and Poultry	7.19	6.17	7.05	7.66*	8.14	7.96

* Revised. 1/ Excludes Alaska. 2/ Excludes Agricultural Service Workers. 3/ U.S. excludes Alaska and Hawaii. 4/ Insufficient data.

APRIL EGG PRODUCTION, LAYERS, AND CHICKS HATCHED, 2000-2001

Item	Unit	ARKANSAS			UNITED STATES		
		2000	2001	% Chg.	2000	2001	% Chg.
Egg Production Total	<i>Million Eggs</i>	295	286	-3	7,013	7,093	+1
Table Eggs	<i>Million Eggs</i>	107	103	-4	5,911	6,013	+2
Hatching Eggs	<i>Million Eggs</i>	188	183	-3	1,102	1,080	-2
All Layers 1/	<i>Thousands</i>	15,654	14,637	-6	329,223	336,859	+2
Eggs per 100 Layers 2/	<i>Number</i>	1,885	1,954	+4	2,130	2,106	-1
Chicks Hatched:							
Egg Type	<i>Thousands</i>	848	817	-4	36,649	41,691	+14
Cumulative Jan.-Apr.	<i>Thousands</i>	2,805	3,306	+18	144,357	157,974	+9
Broiler Type	<i>Thousands</i>	106,328	106,071	0	746,830	745,304	0
Cumulative Jan.-Apr.	<i>Thousands</i>	430,744	416,347	-3	2,961,139	2,913,141	-2

1/ Includes all layers in both table egg and hatching egg flocks regardless of size.

2/ Eggs produced per 100 layers in both table egg and hatching egg flocks regardless of size.

APRIL RED MEAT PRODUCTION, CATTLE AND HOG SLAUGHTER, 2000 - 2001

Item	Unit	ARKANSAS			UNITED STATES		
		2000	2001	% Chg.	2000	2001	% Chg.
Red Meat Production 1/	<i>Million Lbs.</i>	4.5	4.4	-2	3,464.9	3,506.6	+1
Cattle Slaughter Total 2/	<i>1,000 Head</i>	1.2	1.1*	-8	2,783.4	2,714.3	-2
Federally Inspected	<i>1,000 Head</i>	0.9	0.9	0	2,735.0	2,666.7	-2
Percent of Total Slaughter	<i>Percent</i>	75	82	-	98	98	-
Total Live Weight	<i>1,000 Lbs.</i>	1,207	1,095	-9	3,344,879	3,218,254	-4
Average Live Weight 3/	<i>Lbs.</i>	985	960	-3	1,202	1,186	-1
Hog Slaughter Total 2/	<i>1,000 Head</i>	4/	4/	-	7,227.4	7,831.9	+8
Federally Inspected	<i>1,000 Head</i>	4/	4/	-	7,107.6	7,721.9	+9
Percent of Total Slaughter	<i>Percent</i>	-	-	-	98	99	-
Total Live Weight	<i>1,000 Lbs.</i>	4/	4/	-	1,897,915	2,072,103	+9
Average Live Weight 3/	<i>Lbs.</i>	4/	4/	-	263	265	+1

* Record low. 1/ Includes total beef, veal, pork, and lamb and mutton. 2/ Excludes slaughter on farms. 3/ Based on unrounded data.

4/ Arkansas data not printed to avoid disclosing individual operations, but still included in the U.S. total.

Arkansas calf, and sheep and lamb slaughter data are also not published to avoid disclosure of individual operations. April 2001 contained 21 weekdays and 4 Saturdays, compared to 20 weekdays and 4 Saturdays in April 2000.